The ARMD software package is capable of facilitating comprehensive evaluations of fluid-film bearings. **Practically any bearing or bearing system available in the industry can be analyzed with one of the bearing solution modules.** The FLUID-FILM bearing modules (JURNBR, HYBCBR, THRSBR and TILTBR) solve the lubrication problem in two dimensions eliminating any approximation typically associated with one dimensional analysis or with look-up table methods.

Complete performance predictions of hydrodynamic, hydrostatic, and hybrid lubricated journal, conical and thrust bearings operating in the laminar and/or turbulent regime can be generated. Simulation capabilities include effects such as cavitation, misalignment, pressurized boundaries, pressurized grooved feeding system, pressurized nozzle feeding system, surface/structural deviation, and lubricant feed circuitry (JURNBR, HYBCBR) with specified pressures or restrictors (capillary, orifice, or flow control valve), groove geometry and chamfers.

**Results** generated with the fluid-film bearing modules include:

- Load capacity / journal or runner position
- Attitude angle
- Viscous power loss
- Righting moments
- Flow requirements
- Stability (bearing whirl)
- Spring and damping coefficients
- Clearance and pressure distribution
- Recess pressures and flows
- Heat balance and temperature rises for bearing system and individual pads
The release of RBTS’ ARMD Version 6 fluid-film bearing modules is a major milestone in the product’s development history, rolling out a **completely new and improved** graphical user interface for the package with enhanced numerical capabilities and new technical features. The software’s front end was redesigned with our customers’ and industry’s input to incorporate the most logical, efficient, and productive techniques to model and analyze common as well as complex configuration, fluid-film lubricated journal and thrust bearings, of all sizes with ease.

ARMD users will immediately see the improvements as bearing design data are presented in a flatter, more accessible format, with key fields and analysis options readily visible from the main data entry screens. Fluid-film bearing design and performance evaluation productivity is vastly improved as a wide selection of templates accompanied by a “wizard” style sequence of dialogs allows the user to setup and evaluate most of the commonly used bearings in industry with few key strokes. Tab selected grids and input forms allow the user to see all of the data on screen at the same time. Furthermore, the ability to simultaneously run multiple instances of the program permits rapid side-by-side comparison of results.

Bearing configurations and special features that can be evaluated with the various solution modules include but not limited to:

**Fixed Geometry Cylindrical and Conical Journal Bearings (JURNR & HYBCBR)**
- Plain surface
- Multi-groove
- Pressure dam
- Elliptical or lemon
- Rayleigh step or pocket
- Tapered land
- Lobe or canted lobe
- Any configurable pad surfaces
- Multi-recess

**Tilting-Pad Journal Bearings (TILTBR)**
- Central pivot
- Offset pivot
- Evenly spaced pads
- Grouped pads
- Load between pads
- Load on pad
- Any load direction
- Any preload
- Leading/trailing edges taper
- Fluid-inertia force effects
- Support pivot stiffness

**Fixed and Tilting-Pad Geometry Thrust Bearings (THRSBR)**
- Plain surface
- Multi-groove
- Step land
- Step pocket
- Tapered land
- Taper pocket
- Tilting pad
- Compound taper
- Any configurable pad surfaces

Sample Gearbox Thrust Bearing
14 pad shrouded tapered land configuration operating at 15KRPM

Sample Hydrostatic/Hybrid Bearing for Mining Application
Illustrated below, complete bearing performance results are generated when the Run button is pressed. The solution is performed for user specified operating conditions taking into consideration the pressurized feeding system. Heat balance is performed for the overall bearing system as well as individual pads in the bearing.
**Purchasing Options**

ARMD is constructed from various solution modules for rotating machinery/systems:

- Rotor Dynamics
- Fluid-Film Bearings
- Torsional Vibration
- Rolling-Element Bearings
- Lubricant Analysis

Tailored to suit your needs and budget. You may purchase any combination of programs/modules or all if you wish. Licensing is available as a single seat or multi-seat network configuration. With your purchase, the package includes software (CD or download), quick start manual, electronic user’s manual, technology transfer and training session (optional), updates, maintenance, and support.

**System Requirements**

Computer with Microsoft Windows 7, 8, 10 or higher (32 or 64 bit).

**Remember**, with RBTS, you get more than just the programs, you get the company with more than 50 years of experience in the areas of tribology and machinery dynamics.

**For further information, please contact us.**

**ARMD**

**Advanced Rotating Machinery Dynamics**

ARMD is a well established software package used worldwide to perform complete rotating machinery dynamic analysis. ARMD employs a user-friendly interface and window environment and context-sensitive help. ARMD integrates the most advanced and complete rotor dynamics, torsional vibration, and bearing analysis programs under one environment in a seamless fashion to give you the power to model your rotating machinery with ease, efficiency, and above all accuracy. Some applications in which ARMD has been utilized include rotating machinery such as a miniature air turbine for a dental drill, a large turbine generator set for a power plant, a small compressor for an air conditioner, a pump for an artificial heart, a fuel pump for a jet engine, an electric motor and spindle for a miniature computer hard disk, a canned pump for petrochemical processing plant, synchronous motor driven drive-trains, and gear boxes for a uranium enrichment plant and ship propulsion drives to name a few.

**RBTS’ software has gained international reputation for its:**

- Technical Capabilities
- User Friendliness
- Completeness
- Support & Service

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